

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
U.S. Appln. No. 10/029,862

REMARKS

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner issues a Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the inventions of the following groups:

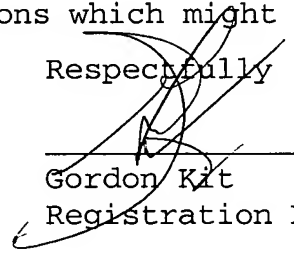
- Group I - Claims 1-6, drawn to a method of identifying an endocrine disruptor by monitoring aromatase activity in KGN cells; or
- Group II - Claims 7-14, drawn to a kit comprising KGN cells and reagents to assay aromatase.

Specifically, the Examiner contends that restriction is proper since the kit can be used in a materially different method than the method of Group I, i.e., such can be used toward the screening for breast cancer therapeutics.

Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, i.e., Claims 1-6 without traverse, and hereby cancel non-elected Claims 7-14 without prejudice to the filing of a Divisional Application thereon.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed number on any questions which might arise.

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